

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant:	Roy R. Vann	Examiner:	Matthew J. Smith
Serial No:	Pending	Group Art Unit:	3672
Filed:	Herewith	Date:	4 September 2003
For:	Method for Using a Reciprocating Pump Vent-Dump Valve		

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

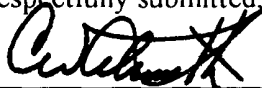
The Commission of Patents and Trademarks
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully petitions the Patent and Trademark Office to Make Special the attached application under 37 CFR 1.102(c) because of his age; namely applicant is over 65 years of age.

The Applicant submits the attached Declaration giving his date of birth.

Respectfully submitted,



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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR Section 1.102(c)

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Dear Sir:

I, Roy R. Vann, declare and say:

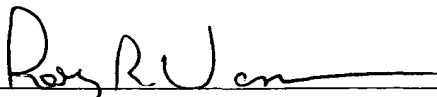
That I am the inventor of the above-identified patent application;

That I was born on January 24, 1924, which makes me over 65 years old;

That the undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issuing thereon;

Further declarant saith not.

September 4, 2003



Roy R. Vann